

# *Immaculate Heart of Mary Church*

*New Melle, Missouri*



March 29, 2015

## *Palm Sunday*

...at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
of those in heaven and on earth  
and under the earth,  
and every tongue confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord...

## **Sacraments and Devotions**

### **Celebration of the Mass**

#### **Weekend Masses in the Church**

Vigil                4:00 pm  
Sunday            7:30 am  
                         9:30 am  
                         11:15 am

#### **Daily Mass**

Monday through Friday 8:00 am, Chapel  
Saturday 8:00 am, Church

### **Devotions and Prayers, St. Joseph Chapel**

Rosary following 8:00 Mass  
Rosary at noon on Wednesday  
Tuesday after Mass-  
                         Perpetual Help devotions  
Thursday after Mass-  
                         Respect Life prayers  
Friday at 11:30 am- Chaplet of  
                         Divine Mercy and Benediction

### **Reconciliation**

Wednesday in church, 7:30 pm  
Saturday after the 8:00 am Mass

### **Marriage**

Contact the parish office at least six  
months prior to the wedding.

### **Baptism**

Contact the parish office to register for  
Baptism class and to arrange for the  
Baptism.

### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Contact Shawn Mueller in the  
parish office

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

St. Joseph Chapel is open for adoration  
24 hours daily from Monday after Mass  
to Friday benediction. **Code: 145**

# Immaculate Heart of Mary

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## Parish Staff

### Contact Information

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636-398-5270

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**Irene Caldwell** 636-398-4311  
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**Event Coordinators**  
**Joan Marren-Slaughter** 636-398-5270  
**Mary Keune** 636-398-5270

# Welcome!

## Religious Education

Parish School of Religion (Grades 1 through 8)

September through May on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30 pm

Confirmation Preparation (8th grade)

September through May on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30 pm

Children's Liturgy of the Word

September through May on Sundays during the 9:30 am Mass

Adult Education

Wednesdays at 8:45 am and 6:00 pm.

## This Week's Events

**Sunday, March 29**

9:30 am

10:00 am

Children's Liturgy, church

Marriage Preparation Class

for those who have registered; Grand Hall

Seder Meal, Founders Hall

6:00 pm

**Monday, March 30**

4:00 pm

6:30 pm

7:00 pm

7:00 pm

Girl Scouts, Weber Hall

Scouts, Founders Hall

Bell Choir Rehearsal, church

Reconciliation, church

**Tuesday, March 31**

9:00 am and 5:30 pm

6:30 pm

7:00 pm

7:00 pm

Exercise Classes, Grand Hall Foyer

Children's Choir and Chimes, Church

Choir rehearsal, church

Reconciliation, church

**Wednesday, April 1**

8:45 am

6:00 pm

7:00 pm

Bible Study, Weber Hall

PSR Classes, Founders Hall and Weber Hall

Reconciliation, church

**Thursday, April 2**

8:00 am

Morning Prayer, church

7:00 pm

**Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper**

The office will be closed on Good Friday

Morning Prayer, church

Stations of the Cross, church

7:00 pm

**Good Friday Service of the Passion of the Lord**

**Saturday, April 4**

8:00 am

Morning Prayer, church

8:00 pm

**The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**

**Sunday, April 5**

7:30 am

9:30 am

11:15 am

**Easter Sunday Mass**

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday, March 28

8:00 am Randy and Lukas Schneider +  
4:00 pm Terence Kehr, Jr. +  
Ethel Hawkins +

### Sunday, March 29

7:30 am Ann Seper +  
9:30 am Rosemary Ralls +  
Carolyn Pierce  
11:15 am People of the Parish

### Monday, March 30

8:00 am Souls in Purgatory +  
Charles Jokisch +

### Tuesday, March 31

8:00 am Joe Sinopole +

### Wednesday, April 1

8:00 am Rose Almeling +  
Holy Vocations

### Holy Thursday, April 2

7:00 pm People of the Parish

### Good Friday, April 3

7:00 pm There is no Mass on Good Friday

### Holy Saturday, April 4

8:00 pm People of the Parish

### Easter Sunday, April 5

7:30 am Rose Almeling +  
Robert McEneny +  
9:30 am Erma Guinn +  
John Bax +  
11:15 am Carolyn Pierce

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11  
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38  
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;  
Mt 26:14-25  
Thursday: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18;  
1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15  
Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25;  
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42  
Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10,  
12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;  
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;  
c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;  
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;  
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;  
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;  
g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4  
h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;  
Mk 16:1-7  
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;  
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9

## Parish Organizations

### Scouting Units

**Parish Rep (All Units)** Jerry Hespen; 636-236-1955  
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Mark Keune  
314-220-7075

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Richard Lalonde  
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### Knights of Columbus

Mike Reel, Grand Knight  
314-581-6797

### Legion of Mary

Nancy Hollenstein  
636-798-2105

### Marian Council

Michelle Brothers, President  
314-614-1114

### Meals on Wheels

Bob Rapp  
636-398-4776

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Julia Kettler  
314-616-0096

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Bill Winters  
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### St. Vincent DePaul

For information or assistance,  
call 636-398-5270 , ex. 225

## MEDITATION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

*[The soldiers] spat on him, fell on their knees, and bowed down to him. When they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple robe and put his own clothes back on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.*

MARK 19: 19-20

In his book *Who Is Christ?* Anthony Padovano writes: The suffering of the cross is not meant for itself but for something else. Christ does not suffer because suffering is in itself a value, but because love without restraint requires suffering. We are saved not by the physical death of Jesus but by the absoluteness of a love which did not count death too high a price." What is one thing I have done for Christ? What is one thing I am doing for Christ? What is one thing I could do for Christ?

*Unhappy is death without the love of the Savior; unhappy is love without the death of the Savior.* St Francis De Sales (Mark Link S.J. *Mission*)



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March 29, 2015

Dear Priests, Deacons and Faithful of the Archdiocese of St. Louis,

On Good Friday, April 3, 2015, the annual collection for the Holy Land will be taken up in parishes throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis. I am requesting all parishes in the Archdiocese of St. Louis take up this collection on Good Friday in support of the Holy Land.

The Gospel message of compassion confirms the need for the Good Friday collection in support of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. We must recognize how much the generous concern of Catholics around the world has already accomplished in this tumultuous area of the world. Our financial assistance supports the Holy Sites, but also those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works, which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.

More specifically, these resources come to the aid of families, often enhancing or saving the lives of the old, the sick, and the disabled. In addition, aid is provided to the unemployed and to youth that seek a brighter future.

I want to ask you for your generous support of the collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday, April 3, 2015.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson  
Archbishop of St. Louis

## Holy Week Schedule (March 29 through April 5, 2015)

Palm Sunday Masses are scheduled as usual- 4:00 pm on Saturday night; 7:30, 9:30, 11:15 am on Sunday morning

The Seder Meal will take place on Palm Sunday evening; 6:00 pm in Founders Hall

Last chance for reconciliation before Easter will be this week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:00 pm in the church

Adoration in the chapel will end Wednesday at noon.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday of Holy Week- morning prayer in the church at 8:00 am

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper and foot washing - 7:00 PM in the church

Good Friday stations of the Cross- 1:00 pm in the church

Good Friday service and veneration of the Cross - 7:00 pm in the church

Easter Vigil- 8:00 pm in the church; Easter Sunday morning- Masses at 7:30, 9:30 and 11:15 am

Adoration will start again in the church on Monday, April 5, after the 8:00 am Mass.



**PSR Corner:** The month of March is traditionally dedicated to St. Joseph. As we strive to live out the Archdiocesan call for a Year of Prayer, consider ways to seek the intercession of St. Joseph in your family life and in your family prayer. St. Teresa of Avila wrote: "It seems that to other saints our Lord has given power to help us in only one kind of necessity; but this glorious saint, I know by my own experience, assists us in all kinds of necessities....I only request, for the love of God, that whoever will not believe me will test the truth of what I say, for he will see by experience how great a blessing it is to recommend oneself to this glorious Patriarch and to be devout to him....Whoever wants a master to instruct him how to pray, let him choose this glorious saint for his guide, and he will not lose his way."

## The # 1 Reason to be, to stay a Catholic?

A few years ago at an IHM Parish Mission, Fr. Richard Geilow left us with an inspirational address on a topic which he first invited by a teaser statement. "The main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing. Come and find out what the main thing is," he said. That "main thing", we learned, was the Mass. Folks throughout the world in RCIA are preparing to receive the gift of the Eucharist. In light of this and of the Thursday of Holy Week, which celebrates the institution of the Eucharist and the Priesthood, here are a few statements to help renew and increase some of that "Eucharistic Amazement" that Pope John Paul spoke of in one of his last encyclicals, *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*.



It's amazing to ponder the beauty and extent of inspirational writing on the Eucharist. There are 63 Church Fathers (from 100 – 500 AD) who wrote about the Real Presence of Lord in the Eucharist. In our own time, one only has to consider a sampling of the various Church encyclicals, catechisms, documents, letters, books, pamphlets, CDs, DVDs—all drawing our attention to the gift of the Eucharist. Throw in the mix all the goodies that have helped prepare for the new translation--- and you've got a serious Hometown Buffet of resources to help go deeper into this mystery of faith.

It's amazing to ponder how the Eucharist was foretold in the Old Testament, that there truly was a divine plan that Christ came to fulfill in his plan of love to give himself. Think of the Fruit from the tree of life, of Melchizedek (the Priest-King of Jerusalem who would offer a sacrifice of bread and wine, of the Passover Lamb who would be slain and whose body would be consumed, of the Heavenly Bread of Manna which served as the "daily bread" to feed the people on their journey, to Bethlehem, the "House of Bread" in which our Lord was placed in a manger, a feeding trough for lower creatures. These are among many links which are profound and deepen our love for Scripture and our trust in God's plan. It's amazing to consider the number of Eucharistic Miracles that have taken place in history which can help to increase both faith and understanding in this teaching and great mystery of faith, a teaching that has obviously caused great confusion since our Lord first proclaimed it (see Gospel of John chapter 6). It is one thing for God to become Man, but for bread to become the vehicle of his continuing Presence? Look back to the Vatican

Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles we've had here at the parish several years ago. Or to the "Science Tests Faith" presentation and videos of the same name we handed out to those who have a holy hour. Miracles are great motives of credibility to help our "Amen" be more faithful when we approach the Eucharist at Holy Communion. Lord, we believe, help our unbelief. Thank you for Holy Thursday, when you gave us the gift of the Eucharist and for the gift of the Priesthood.

### **Year of Consecrated Life Vocation Icon; *Host the Icon at Your Home for a Week***

IHM has developed a way for our parishioners to keep vocations to the religious life in their daily thoughts and prayers. We have a beautiful icon for display in your home, along with a candle and binder full of vocation information. The hope is that every home in our parish will take a week during this year to pray at home for an increase in vocations, and also to pray for those who have already consecrated their lives to the Lord's service. **There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex, where you can choose your week.** For that week you will borrow the bag containing the icon, candle and binder, and utilize them when you pray at home. The items then will have to be returned to the church the following weekend, so someone else can continue the vocation prayers. Fr. Tom will hand the bag to the next person at the end of Mass.



## NEWS FROM HOME



### Stewardship

March 29, 2015

#### St. Joseph Chapel "Heavenly Dusters" Ruth Willis

The "Heavenly Dusters" schedule needs to be updated. Please call the office if you have changed your information. We also have a few slots to fill so if you are able to help, please call the parish office.

**The collection figures for Sunday, March 22 will be available at a later date.**

#### Try Electronic Offertory

*Those who are pledging for the "Many Gifts. One Heart" new debt reduction campaign should mark their envelopes with the correct campaign title. Pink debt reduction envelopes are included in the monthly envelope mailing. There are options for giving. Use weekly envelopes or check out On-Line giving at [www.ihm-newmelle.org](http://www.ihm-newmelle.org)*

#### St. Vincent DePaul Society

##### Items needed for the food pantry:

All purpose cleaners, bleach, laundry detergent, trash bags, crackers, oil, sugar, coffee, and tea.

**Memorial tribute and healing cards** are available. The order forms can be found on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

#### ST. VINCENT DEPAUL IN SYRIA

From Sister Monique, via Filles de la Charite, PARIS Late Sunday afternoon on 1 March 2015, I received a message from M. Francoise, a delegate of the International Society of St. Vincent de Paul, and I managed to reach her by telephone. She was leaving for Paris, and collapsed at the news she had just received: members of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul in Syria were kidnapped, along with their wives and children. The children were isolated and put into cages. Adults who do not deny their faith will be decapitated, and their children burned alive in the cages. M. Francoise had been in regular contact with several of them before all this occurred. She asked me to transmit the news and make a fervent appeal for prayers for these people, and all who are held hostage. Let us remain fervently united in prayer, and have as our intention the welfare of all brothers and sisters in our Christian faith who are being held hostage.

<http://famvin.org/en/2015/03/03/st-vincent-de-paul-society-in-syria-background/>

Jeanne M. Harper

### What's Your Catholic IQ?

#### 1. The term "concelebration" refers to

- (a) brilliant thinking;
- (b) the party held after a priest's ordination;
- (c) a meeting of cardinals;
- (d) the celebration of one Mass by two or more priests praying the core prayers of the Mass together

#### 2. The liturgical color for Palm Sunday is

- (a) red;                      b) purple;                      (c) green;                      (d) white

#### 3. "Liturgy" comes from a Greek word that literally means

- (a) the work of the people;                      (b) thy kingdom come;
- (c) thanksgiving;                      (d) the prayer of the priest

#### 4. The word "Mass" comes from

- (a) the changing flow of people coming to church;
- (b) an abbreviation of "Master";
- (c) the fact that congregations are large groups;
- (d) the ending words of the Latin Mass, "Ite, missa est."

#### 5. The sacristy is

- (a) the room where the priest vests;
- (b) a special sink which drains into the soil beneath a church;
- (c) the gathering space in front of a church;
- (d) a violation of anything sacred

#### 6. The phrase "Agnus Dei" translates as

- (a) "Lord, have mercy";                      (b) "Lamb of God";
- (c) "Our Father";                      (d) "I believe in God"

#### 7. At Mass we stand for

- (a) the First Reading;                      (b) the Responsorial Psalm;
- (c) the Gospel;                      (d) the homily

#### 8. The symbol which is not used to represent one of the four Gospel writers is

- (a) a lily;                      (b) a winged lion;
- (c) a winged ox;                      (d) an eagle

#### 9. The "Holy, Holy, Holy" prayer from the Mass

- (a) was taken from the Book of Isaiah;
- (b) is a translation of the Latin "Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus";
- (c) has many different musical settings;
- (d) all of the above

#### 10. The small cloths used by ministers of the cup are called

- (a) purificators;                      (b) cruets;
- (c) albs;                      (d) pyxes

Answers on the next page →

### ATTENTION, HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH Youth Conference: Steubenville Mid-America: July 17-19

Plans are underway to attend the Steubenville Mid-America Youth Conference in Springfield, Missouri on July 17-19.

If you are interested in joining the group from IHM, contact Janet Hespen ASAP at 636-398-6420. Visit <http://stlyouth.org/steubenville> for more info.

**For everything there is a season,  
and a time for every matter under heaven.**



*...a time to die...*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of  
Ethel Hawkins,

sister of Clara and Ed Haas;

Norman G. Hannig,

father of Norm and Mary Hannig;

Bernice Nacke, Grandma of Kris Jenkins;

Rosalia M. Eckert, sister of Ray and Janice Gober;

Leola Mantle,

sister of Frank and Rosemary Marquart.

*May they rest in the peace of Christ.*

### **CHECK IT OUT** *...for youth and young adults*

**Crossroads**- the next meeting will be on April 21; more information to follow

**YDisciple-YDinner**- Wednesday, April 1 in the Grand Hall; 6:00 pm; for high school students and their families

**Easter Egg Extravaganza**, sponsored by the IHM Young Adult Ministry, in the Grand Hall after the 9:30 Mass, (approximately 10:30 start time) on **EAST-ER SUNDAY**, April 5. We'll begin with some crafts for those kids who are attending Mass - they won't miss the big hunt. All are welcome to watch the joyous fun and take part in helping if they would like. There will be great activities and fun for all kids. **Children older than 5th grade are asked to volunteer.** Activities will be complete before the start of 11:15 Mass so that parishioners can attend either Mass time. Are you willing to help organize the fun? Call Julie at [636-357-0121](tel:636-357-0121) or email [julie.r.lassiter@gmail.com](mailto:julie.r.lassiter@gmail.com). Easter Sunday prep will take place Wednesday April 1 at 7:45-8:30. Please come for great snacks, fun and spreading some joy. Lots of help needed so bring friends!

**DONATIONS**- IHM young adult ministry is seeking candy donations for the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt on April 5. The candy and prizes can be delivered to the parish office by April 1. Call or email Julie Lassiter with questions. They will be playing games as well so any prizes would be helpful. Thank you in advance.

### **Join the Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for March, 2015**

- **Universal:** That those involved in scientific research may serve the well-being of the whole human person.
- **Evangelization:** That the unique contribution of women to the life of the Church may be recognized always.

### **ANSWERS TO CATHOLIC IQ**

1. **(d)** The ancient practice of concelebration is recorded as early as the third century.
2. **(a)** The Passion of our Lord—the Gospel story of his suffering and death—is proclaimed on Palm Sunday, so red, a symbol for blood, is used.
3. **(a)** This work of the people calls for “full, conscious, and active participation,” as Vatican II phrased it.
4. **(d)** “Ite, missa est” is Latin for “Go, the Mass is ended.”
5. **(a)** Sometimes there are two sacristies, one for priests and one for servers.
6. **(b)** It's Latin for “Lamb of God,” the phrase John the Baptist used of Jesus (Jn 1:29).
7. **(c)** We stand to show special reverence as well as to be more alert to the wisdom that's proclaimed.
8. **(a)** Mark is symbolized by a lion because he stresses the royal dignity of Jesus (“lion of Judah”); Luke, by an ox because he emphasizes the sacrificial nature of Jesus' life; John, by an eagle because his Gospel “soars” to the heights of theology. Matthew's symbol is a winged man for his emphasis on Jesus' human nature.
9. **(d)** In the Roman rite the “Holy, Holy, Holy” was a later addition to the Mass, as was the “Gloria.”
10. **(a)** They are used to cleanse the cup after each use.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Marion Mueller	Patricia Prongue
Patricia Rudolf	Walt and his family
Shirley McDonald	Ann Fitzgerald
Diane Bocklage	Susan Van Booven
Peyton Newman	Terri Guernsey
Steve Geldien	Melissa Van Hoy
Dave Hendrix	Al Bamert
Ted Feldewerth	Jo-nell Falcon
Kenneth McCauley	Nancy Hollenstein
Jolene Molitor	Charlie Grady
Mary Ann Brakensiek	John and his family
Michael Candrl and his family	Ed Gray
Linda Candrl and her family	Denny Steinmeyer
Tom Miller	Mildred Riley
Sadie Rashid	Judy Jacobs' mom
Angel Owens	Ted Pivin
Erin and her two kids	Cathy, with cancer
Newborn baby Steven	Bob Cova
Bob Rapp	Frank Modder
William Brittingham	Michael, with a tumor
A young man with intestinal issues	
Mike who had a liver replacement	
Keri and Jesse Knopp and their unborn baby	
Jennifer Fitzinger	

*Hosanna to the  
Son of David!*





**Liturgical Ministers**  
**Please see the bulletin insert for the**  
**Holy Week assignments.**

IHM Friends,

On behalf of the Hitt Family, I would like to express our gratitude for all the prayers and caring support you have shown us. My Family and I really appreciated the wonderful luncheon you so lovingly provided after my husband, Jack's funeral Mass. We feel so blessed. Thank you.

Jean Hitt  
and The Hitt Family

**Thank  
You**



**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

On a Marriage Encounter weekend, couples have a chance to rekindle and renew communication and their appreciation for each other. These weekends will be presented on April 24-26 or August 7-9. If you would like to apply for one of these now, see the web page at [www.stl-wwwme.org](http://www.stl-wwwme.org) or simply call 314.469.7317. It is yours for a lifetime.

**WHAT IS A SISTER?** A Sister lives in a religious community that follows a constantly renewed tradition, patterned on the life and teaching of the founder of the community. The work she generally does will depend upon the ministries of that community as influenced by the needs of the Church and its people — for example: teaching, social work, administration, nursing, peace and justice ministry, etc.

If the lifestyle of a Sister sounds attractive to you contact the diocesan vocation office for more information.

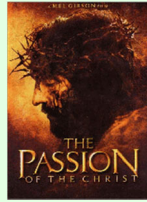
**MONASTIC WEEKEND**

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri, will host a Come and See monastic weekend for women discerning a religious vocation. The event is scheduled for Friday, April 10, through Sunday, April 12. Participants will enter into the rhythm of contemplative life, experience the time and place for listening to God, share with others who might also be discerning a religious vocation and ask vowed religious about monastic life. Those who would like to participate should be single Catholic women between the ages of 18 and 45. The event is free for those participating, and there is not commitment involved to attend. For more information, please contact Sister Ruth Elaine Starman, OSB at [\(660\)944-2221](tel:6609442221) or [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org). Information is also available online at [www.BenedictineSisters.org](http://www.BenedictineSisters.org).

**St. Paul Library / Lighthouse CD Resources**

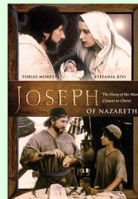
(Note: With close to 3000 items, the Parish Library is located in the Grand Hall past the restrooms. It is open during the week-normal business hours- and works on an honor system. Items from the Lighthouse CD rack are located and available in the Narthex.

**From the Lighthouse Catholic CD Rack -- Narthex**



This is the week to watch the Passion of the Christ DVD. From a review on the internet: "When the movie first came out I went to the theater to see it. The second the movie was over, I was dumbstruck, and I wasn't the only one. When the movie ended I thought there would be a big round of applause but when I turned around I saw that about half the audience was still in their seats. I looked at a couple of people, some were speechless and most were crying. Nonetheless I didn't hear a word. When I thought about it, I realized an applause would have been ridiculous. Most aspects of the movie were perfect to me. Instead of a squeaky clean version of the life of Jesus it was a realistic and heartbreaking portrayal of his final hours. The Aramaic, Latin and Hebrew languages, and wonderful cinematography made you really feel like you were in first century Jerusalem. The flashbacks truly had an emotional impact on me. While watching this movie I forgot about everything else in the world."

**From the library**



The first feature film ever on the story of St. Joseph - carpenter, husband of Mary and the foster father of Jesus Christ. Scripture tells us that St. Joseph was a "just man", and that God gave him the most daunting task ever asked of a man - to be the husband of the woman who would give birth to the Messiah, and the father and protector of this Holy Family, the man closest to Christ. Starring Tobias Moretti in a manly, appealing performance, we are shown the human, noble and the deeply spiritual aspects of Joseph the carpenter, son of David, servant of God and loving husband of Mary. He is presented as a man of faith who has to grapple greatly with the profound mysteries of the divine conception, virgin birth and the Incarnation of the Son of God, and the incredible challenges of protecting and raising Jesus amidst the threats on his life from the moment of His birth and beyond.

**DYNAMIC CATHOLIC, ALIVE! - CONVERSION**

As we read in the Acts of the Apostles, the Apostle Paul had a dramatic conversion to Christ. For many of us, however, conversion is gradual: "Vibrant Christians are made, not born. They are formed, not produced. Spiritual formation is a life-long process." And the conversion of the world begins with us: "The first culture that we need to transform is not the wider culture, but the culture of our own heart"

(Archbishop Carlson). [archstl.org/dynamic](http://archstl.org/dynamic)

**GRIEF SUPPORT**

St. Patrick began a series on grief support to anyone 18yrs or older, ending April 30. Meetings will be held at 7:00p.m. on Thursdays in the rectory conference room. 327-4537 or 448-7590.



**Pope Francis will conclude the 2015 World Meeting of Families with a papal visit to Philadelphia!**

The Office of Laity & Family Life has planned a pilgrimage to the 2015 World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia. Pope Francis, is planning to conclude the 2015 World Meeting of Families with a papal visit to Philadelphia, where the event is taking place from September 22 to September 27. The World Meeting of Families is a weeklong event featuring family-friendly speakers, fun activities, and opportunities to grow in the faith. An incredible range of resources can be found at the World Meeting of Families website, [www.worldmeeting2015.org](http://www.worldmeeting2015.org)

If you are interested in this pilgrimage from St. Louis, please contact , [juliebostick@archstl.org](mailto:juliebostick@archstl.org) or [314.792.7180](tel:314.792.7180).

**PROPHETIC ANOINTING** The solemnity of today's readings invites us into silent contemplation of the mystery of our redemption. There are so many levels on which to understand the events of the Passion. The woman who anoints Jesus acts prophetically in a way that the other disciples do not yet grasp. Anointing is for priests, prophets, and kings, and also for the preparation of the dead. It is for healing and for holiness. Her action acknowledges the imminent events of the passion and death of the Lord, and points toward his resurrection and triumph over evil and death. He is priest and victim, prophet and God, King and Lord. All these things are acknowledged in her prophetic anointing. Copyright © J. S. Paluch

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Is today "Palm Sunday" or "Passion Sunday"? Though now known officially as Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, confusion is understandable, since before the 1969 reform of the calendar two separate Sundays bore these titles. Passion Sunday was a week before Palm Sunday. To add to the confusion, the Gospel accounts of the Passion of the Lord were not read on Passion Sunday, but on Palm Sunday! On Passion Sunday, the cross and statues were veiled in full purple drapes. The organ had fallen silent at the beginning of Lent, and now the sanctuary bells were replaced by wooden clappers. The introit (opening chant) for the old Mass of Passion Sunday hints at a reason for reform: "Do me justice, O God, and fight my fight against a faithless people" (Psalm 42). This liturgy was laden with references to the "infidelity" of the Jews, a theme that gave rise to inflammatory preaching and, in some places, attacks against the persons and property of the Jewish people. This does not stand as a "treasure" of any sort in our tradition. Our authentic tradition, rather, is the ability to reflect and repent and to seek reconciliation with the Jews, our brothers and sisters in the love and service of God. — Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**Future Events**

- ☒ **Seder Meal**, today (Sunday) at 6:00 pm in Founders Hall; bring a dish to share
- ☒ **Last chance to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation** before Easter: this week, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm; church
- ☒ **Morning prayer**; this week, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8:00 am in the church
- ☒ **Stations of the Cross**; Friday at 1:00 in the church
- ☒ **Holy Thursday Mass: 7:00 pm**  
**Good Friday Service: 7:00 pm**  
**Easter Vigil Mass: 8:00 pm**
- ☒ **Easter Masses: 7:30, 9:30, 11:15 pm**
- ☒ **Easter Egg Hunt**; see the blurb in another part of this bulletin
- ☒ **Rehearsals will be cancelled** for the adult choir, the bell choir and the children's choir and chimes for the week **after** Easter.
- ☒ **Prayer Shawl Ministry**, Friday, April 11 at 2:00 pm in Weber Hall
- ☒ **First Communion** will be celebrated on Sunday, April 12 during the 11:15 Mass. All are welcome!
- ☒ **Knights of Columbus breakfast**, Sunday, April 12 from 8:00 am to 11:00; Founders Hall
- ☒ **Knights of Columbus Horse Races**, Saturday, May 2 at 7:00 pm in the Grand Hall (doors open at 6:00)
- ☒ **Blood Drive**, Tuesday, May 5, 2:30 to 6:30 in Founders Hall
- ☒ **Confirmation with Archbishop Carlson**, Thursday, May 14 at 7:30 pm; IHM church; all are welcome!
- ☒ **Rummage Sale set-up** will begin on Monday, May 18; you are welcome to bring your "stuff" on the weekend of May 16 and 17. Please bring it to the pavilion, as close to the center as possible to protect it from the weather.
- ☒ **The Rummage Sale** dates will be: June 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13; the hours will be published in the next bulletin

## Out and About Breakfasts and Dinners

- **ANNUAL PRIEST AND RELIGIOUS APPRECIATION BANQUET;** Monday, April 13 at the Old Hickory Golf Club in St. Peters; doors open at 6:00 pm; tickets are \$50 with the proceeds going to the Serra Club; Zip Rzeppa, MC. 636-385-6409

## Just for fun

- **SPRING CRAFT AND CROP,** Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Warrenton; Saturday, April 18 from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm; 636-359-3574
- **TRIVIA NIGHT TO BENEFIT THE SPARKILL DOMINICAN SISTERS,** Saturday, May 9 at CBC High School; 314-422-1979
- **HOLY SPIRIT LADIES CLUB SPRING FASHION SHOW** Saturday April 11 from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm. \$15 includes luncheon. Location: Holy Spirit Church, 3130 Parkwood, Maryland Heights, Mo 63043 Contact: Karen at [314-539-1962](tel:314-539-1962) to purchase advance tickets
- **SDAA – STEFANINA’S MOUSE RACES;** Mouse Races start at 7:30PM, Event ends approximately 11PM *7 races total* Where: St Dominic Fallon Family Center (*The new gym!*); Price: \$15 per person paid in advance (\$120 for Table of 8) \$20 per person at the door; Can't fill a table of 8? Just send in the form and payment below and we'll place you at a table! Includes: Beer, Soda, Setups, Iced Tea, and Water Bring your own favorite foods. [\(636\) 219-8124](tel:636-219-8124)
- **“SPANNING THE GENERATIONS” WENTZVILLE ART EVENT;** FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2015 FROM 5:00PM – 9:00PM; AT WENTZVILLE COMMUNITY CLUB, 500 WEST MAIN STREET, WENTZVILLE, MO 63385 *FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC*; Contact Jessica at [636-542-6000](tel:636-542-6000) for more info; Artist Information and Entry Forms can be obtained at [www.wassi.org](http://www.wassi.org)

## Opportunities

- **PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE IN MEXICO;** Dec. 10-16, 2015; with parishioner and author Denise Bossert. Call Denise at 636-352-8705 for more information
- **STEUBENVILLE YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE;** May 29-31, 2015 in St. Louis; [www.encounterstl.com](http://www.encounterstl.com)
- **VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE to Lourdes, France,** at Our Lady of Sorrows, Wednesday, April 29 at 7 PM. During this guided Lourdes experience, you will immerse yourself in the Gospel Message of Lourdes as given by Our Lady to St. Bernadette. A Plenary Indulgence is granted to all the faithful, under the usual conditions, who attend a Virtual Pilgrimage with North American Lourdes Volunteers. The next best thing to visiting Lourdes itself is a Pilgrimage journey without the travel! For more information call the Parish Office [314 351 1600](tel:314-351-1600).
- **ENGAGED ENCOUNTER:** If your child or godchild is engaged, consider giving them the gift of a Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend. These Weekends help couples reflect on the depth of their commitment to each other, their relationship with God, and God's place in their lives as husband and wife. Engaged Encounter Weekends promote and strengthen the Sacrament of Marriage. For more information, go to: <http://home.centurytel.net/stlengaged/>, or call Cheri and Jim at [636-379-0962](tel:636-379-0962). Upcoming weekends will be held in June and September.
- **EDUCATION FORUM ON ALZHEIMER’S;** If you have questions or concerns about Alzheimer’s disease and how it may be affecting you or your loved ones save this date: Sunday April 19 at 2pm. The Alzheimer’s Association will present a comprehensive overview of memory loss, dementia and Alzheimer’s disease that includes information on diagnosis, treatment, and resources. Everyone is invited. Event is sponsored by the Heritage Cluster of UCC churches and will be held at Ebenezer UCC in Augusta.

**THE YOUNG CATHOLIC MUSICIANS ORCHESTRA** is searching for an electric bass player to join YCM for their regular schedule (2 rehearsals a month and 1 Mass at various churches throughout the Archdiocese) and for Summer Tour May 30 - June 7 through Ohio (Cincinnati, Cleveland, Sandusky) performing *Rockin' America* (musical revue) and patriotic music along the way at Fountain Square, Galleria, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, Cedar Point, and St. Luke (Indianapolis). For additional information or to schedule an audition, contact Fr. Bruce Forman, Director, at [revyym@charter.net](mailto:revyym@charter.net) or [314-231-7464](tel:314-231-7464). We are looking for a 7th, 8th-grade or freshman boy who plays electric bass and is a good sight reader.



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